Amendments to the Claims:

1- 43. (canceled)

44. (new) A hand propelled vehicle having:

a plurality of supporting wheels;

a handle for propelling said vehicle solely by hand;

touch or grip sensing means for sensing touch or grip of said handle by a user;

vehicle movement sensing means for sensing movement of said vehicle;

a braking apparatus for braking movement of said vehicle, said braking apparatus comprising a selectively activatable braking device for braking movement of at least one said supporting wheel when activated to prevent or stop movement of said vehicle; and

control means connected to said touch or grip sensing means, said movement sensing means and said braking apparatus and operable to activate said braking device upon a predetermined movement or velocity of said vehicle as sensed by said vehicle movement sensing means subsequent to release of grip of or touching of said handle by a user as sensed by said touch or grip sensing means.

45. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 44 wherein said touch or grip sensing means comprises one or more touch sensitive switches, said switches being operated when said handle is gripped by said user.

46. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 45 wherein said touch sensitive switch or switches comprise a touch pad or pads on or in the handle.

47. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 44 wherein said braking device includes a braking member which is movable when said braking devices is

activated into engagement with said at least one supporting wheel to prevent or stop rotation thereof and movement of said vehicle.

48. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 47 wherein said braking device comprises an electrically activated braking device and wherein said control means includes a switching circuit having a first state permitting supply of power to said braking device to cause activation of said braking device and a second state preventing the supply of power said braking device to thereby deactivate said braking device and permit movement of said vehicle.

49 (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 48 wherein said switching circuit is maintained in said second state to prevent supply of power to said braking device when said touch or grip sensing means senses touch or gripping of said handle by a user.

50. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 49 wherein said touch or grip sensing means comprises a pair of grip or touch sensitive pads or switches which are spaced apart on said vehicle handle and wherein both said pads or switches are required to be touched or gripped simultaneously by respective hands of a user to deactivate said braking device.

51. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 48 and wherein said switching circuit in said first state varies the power supplied to said braking apparatus to vary the application of said brakes to said at least one supporting wheel..

52. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 49 wherein said touch or grip sensing means comprise a keypad into which a predetermined code or codes is or are required to be entered to deactivate said braking device for use of the vehicle.

53. (new) A hand propelled pram or stroller having:

a plurality of supporting wheels;

a handle for hand propelling said pram or stroller;

touch or grip sensing means on said handle for sensing touching or gripping of said handle by one or more hands of a user propelling said pram or stroller;

braking apparatus associated with at least one said supporting wheel for braking when activated, said at least one supporting wheel to prevent movement of said pram or stroller; and

control means connected to said sensing means and said braking apparatus, said control means activating said braking apparatus to prevent or stop movement of said pram or stroller upon a predetermined movement or velocity of said pram or stroller subsequent to release of grip on or touching of said handle by said user as sensed by said sensing means.

54. (new) A pram or stroller as claimed in claim 53 and including wheel rotation sensing means for sensing rotation of at least one said supporting wheel and providing an output proportional to the rotation of said at least one supporting wheel to determine said predetermined movement or velocity of said pram or stroller.

55. (new) A hand propelled vehicle having:

a plurality of supporting wheels;

a handle for hand propelling said vehicle;

touch or grip sensing means on said handle for sensing touching or gripping of said handle by one or more hands of a user propelling said vehicle;

electrically activated braking apparatus associated with at least one said supporting wheel, said braking apparatus having a brake for braking said at least one said supporting wheel to prevent movement of said vehicle;

a rotation sensor for sensing rotation of a said supporting wheel and providing an output proportional to the rotation of a said supporting wheel;

a programmable controller, said programmable controller being connected to said braking apparatus to control the application of power to said braking apparatus to control the application of brakes;

said programmable controller being further connected to said rotation sensor to receive the output of said sensor;

said programmable controller being operable to apply power to said braking apparatus to cause the brake of said apparatus to be applied to said at least one wheel to prevent or stop movement of said vehicle upon sensing from said sensor output, one of a predetermined number of rotations of said wheel, or a predetermined velocity of said wheel subsequent to release of said handle by said user as sensed by said touch or grip sensing means.

56. (new) A hand propelled vehicle as claimed in claim 55 wherein said programmable controller maintains said braking apparatus in a deactivated non-braking state when touch or gripping of said handle by a user is sensed by said touch or grip sensing means.